

SENATE BILL 1418

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Chapter 574 of the Private Acts of 1939; as amended by Chapter 220 of the Private Acts of 1980; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to municipal elections in the Town of Pikeville.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 574 of the Private Acts of 1939, as amended by Chapter 220 of the Private Acts of 1980, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Section 3 by deleting the fifth sentence in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

All persons living within the corporate limits of the town who are entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly shall be entitled to vote in municipal elections. Provided, however, that any person owning property within the corporate limits of the town and residing outside such limits but within Bledsoe County may register and vote in municipal elections, if such property ownership is of residential lot size of not less than thirty-five hundred square feet (3,500 sq. ft.) or any person owning a commercial property of any size as long as there are not more than two (2) persons per deed in either property classification. Such nonresident shall furnish to the Registrar's office proof of ownership and lot size and location by submitting a copy of the corporation's tax notice or such other document deemed acceptable by the Registrar. Such nonresident shall not be eligible to hold any municipal office or serve on any municipal board or commission.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Pikeville. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.